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- Transmittal Letter (this form, 2 pages, in duplicate), Total Pages: 4;
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- PTO-1449 Form, Total Pages: 1;
- A Copy of the cited references are enclosed except for those which qualify under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i), Total Hard Copy(ies) Provided: 5;
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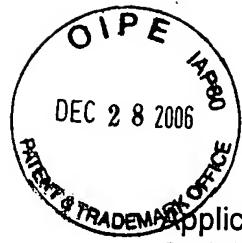
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

under 37 CFR 1.129(a), or (If IDS filed as first/second submission after Final Rejection);

under 37 CFR 1.97(b), or (If IDS Filed within three months of filing national application; or date of entry of the national stage in international application; or before mailing date of first office action on the merits; whichever occurs last);

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[X] under 37 CFR 1.97(c) together with either:

[] a Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e), as checked below, or

[X] a \$180.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p), or (If filed after the 37 CFR 1.97(b) time period, but before final action or notice of allowance, whichever occurs first)

[] under 37 CFR 1.97(d) together with:

[] a Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e), as checked below, and

[] a Petition under 37 CFR 1.97(d)(2), and

[] a \$130.00 petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i). (If IDS filed after final action or notice of allowance, whichever occurs first, but before payment of the issue fee)

[] Applicant requests that the attached IDS and cited reference(s) _____ be placed in the application filewrapper. (If IDS filed after payment of issue fee)

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)

[X] Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement; or

[] No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Enclosed herewith is Form PTO-1449:

[X] Copy of the cited references are enclosed except for those which qualify under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i).

[] Copy of cited references are enclosed except those entered in a prior application, having U.S. Serial No. _____, and references that are not required to be submitted under 37 CFR 1.98.

[X] The listed references were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.

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Pursuant to the Official Gazette Notice of August 5, 2003 the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication is waived for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003.

Concise Explanation Requirement (required for non-English references):

The "concise explanation" requirement for reference(s) _____ under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:

- the explanation provided on the attached sheet.
- the explanation provided in the Specification.
- submission of the enclosed International Search Report.
- the enclosed English language abstract.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.

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